Brownfields "Nuts & Bolts"





Finding \$\$\$ Money \$\$\$ for Brownfield Site Reuse – An Overview

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The Brownfields "Red Zone"

What Impact Does Contamination Have on Financing?

Conceptualizing and Planning the Project Economic Analysis for Marketing the Project

Dealing with Stigma

\$ for Site Assessment

Additional Underwriting/Site Development/R.O.R. Costs

\$ for Preparing a Cleanup Plan and Taking It Through VCP/State/Local Regulatory Agencies
\$ for Cleanup

"Regular" Real Estate Construction/Development Costs When Site is "Shovel Ready"

Lender/investor issues – Process Considerations

Some of the Mushy Stuff...

- Does the project make good credit sense?
- Are regulators comfortable with the proposed approach?

- ➤ What tools can be deployed?
 - Legal/liability, private and pubic financial
- > Is the bank officer comfortable with:
 - ➤ Developer/developer expertise in brownfield projects?
 - Environmental/technical consultants?
 - ➤ Proposed end-use (i.e., industrial v. residential)?



How Can Public Financing Initiatives Help?

- > Provide resources directly
 - grants; forgivable/performance loans
- Reduce lender's risk
 - loan guarantees; companion loans
- ➤ Reduce borrower's costs
 - interest-rate reductions or subsidies; due diligence assistance
- > Improve the borrower's financial situation
 - re-payment grace periods; tax abatements; training and technical assistance help
- > Provide comfort to lenders or investors
 - loan guarantees; performance data

Packaging brownfield project financing --the Pink Floyd strategy

Money, it's a crime.
Share it fairly but don't take a slice of my pie.

B'F Translation – It's all about leveraging...

Creatively using development <u>and</u> environmental programs to meet a range of site redevelopment needs, attract private financing for –

- assessment, clean up, demolition, renovation, ICs, marketing, upgrades, preparation, etc.
- while fitting program eligibility and competing for resources





Where Can You Get the *Green* for *Brownfields*?

Federal Programs Most Commonly Used

Loans

- ➤ EDA's Title IX (capital for local revolving loan funds)
- ➤ HUD funds for locally determined CDBG loans and "floats"
- > EPA capitalized revolving loan funds

Grants

- ➤ HUD's Brownfield Economic Development Initiative (BEDI)
- ➤ HUD's Community Development Block Grants (for projects locally determined)
- > EPA assessment and cleanup grants
- EDA public works economic adjustment

Grants (continued)

- ➤ DOT (various system construction and rehabilitation programs)
- ➤ DOT's transportation and community system preservation (TCSP) grants
- ➤ Army Corps of Engineers (costshared services)

Tax incentives and tax-exempt financing

- > Expensing of cleanup costs
- Historic rehabilitation tax credits
- ➤ Low-income housing tax credits
- ➤ New Markets Tax Credits

How Have these Programs Been Used to Support Brownfield Redevelopment?

- brownfield redevelopment/revitalization planning
- site acquisition
- environmental site assessment
- site clearance, demolition, and removal of buildings
- rehabilitation of buildings
- removal or remediation of contamination
- construction of infrastructure and related improvements that enhance brownfield site value

Activities often carried out in partnerships with the private sector, or to leverage private participation

Where Can You Get the *Green* for *Brownfields*?

State Brownfield Financing Innovations

- * 23 states offer tax incentives linked to site assessment and cleanup
- * 19 states target financial assistance programs to brownfields
- * 13 states offer direct financial assistance
- * 10 states have initiatives to enhance/support the brownfield financing process

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Local Financing Program Support: Creatively Putting a Brownfield's "Spin" on the Tried and True

- > Tax increment financing/variations
- > Tax abatements/variations
- >Revolving loan funds (RLFs)
- ➤ General obligation bonds



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